

HOSE THAT FAILED.

Divers Bring Up Canvas Tube From Slocum Wreck.

WHERE DID THE FIRE BEGIN?

Man Says the Crew Knew of It at Fifty-fifth Street.

second Victim, Who Knew the River, Says Flames Had Big Headway at Eighty-sixth Street—Boat Brought Up by the Divers Still Fastened to Davits With Steel Wire—Engineer Conking Silent by Advice of Counsel—Mayor McClellan a Demands of Secretary Certify on a Rigid Reinspection of All Harbor Passenger Steamers for Protection of Their Passengers.

Much new evidence touching the origin of the fire on the General Slocum and the conditions which prevailed on board her was collected yesterday. Part of this was secured by the wreckers working about the hull; part was in the form of statements made by men who were on board. These tend to show that the vessel was on fire much earlier than had previously been supposed, and that the officers and crew were acquainted with the fact.

Five feet of the fire hose of the General Slocum was recovered from the wreck yesterday morning by Diver Tulloch, and turned over to Coroner O'Gorman to serve as evidence at the inquest on Monday. The hose was burned at both ends and a fold in the middle, as though it had never been unrolled. The hose is a 2 1/2-inch canvas tube without any rubber lining whatever.

Former Fire Marshal Freed, who examined the section of the hose, said that while it might serve its purpose if an attempt had been made to use it as a hose, it would be seriously defective if the hose had to be used at any considerable range. He said:

"The rough weave of the canvas on the inside causes a considerable loss of force at the nozzle on account of the friction with the water. Roughly, in such hose as that the loss due to friction would be about forty pounds to a hundred feet or hose. The loss is porous also and leaks somewhat. That is, it 'soaks,' causing a further loss of power, until the fiber of the hose swells and makes the coating thoroughly impervious to water. That would take about ten minutes."

Charles H. Lang of 143 First avenue, who used to be a lifeguard at Coney Island, says the General Slocum was on fire between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth streets.

As a result of his statement, made to the police at the Information Bureau yesterday, he was summoned to appear before the Coroner to-morrow.

Lang says he was on the upper deck with his wife, his brother-in-law and sister-in-law and his five-year-old son when two of the crew came on that deck and told another deckhand in his hearing that there was a fire on board.

Lang says he looked at the Manhattan shore and knew the boat was between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth streets by a brewery he recognized.

He got his family together, he says, told them something was wrong and got them to a place on the boat where the crowd was small.

Just above Eighty-eighth street, he says, he saw a officer of the boat, who, he is positive, was the captain, come on deck and tell two deckhands there was a fire on board.

Lang and his family knew how to swim and all escaped, save his cousin, Amelia, whom he is trying to find.

JOHN ENGELMAN'S STORY.

John Engelman of 428 East Twelfth street told Sgt. Donegan at the information bureau yesterday that he jumped from the Slocum at Ninety-second street and that the boat was burning briskly at that time. His story was at first received doubtfully, but later was believed. He says he worked for a number of years on a New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad tug and knows the above thoroughly. He said:

"I saw smoke coming up out of the hold when we were at Ninety-second street. We were right in the opening of Hell Gate and even at that time my knowledge of boat fires taught me the Slocum was no place to stay. The fire must have been going some time then. The smoke was dense. I took hold of my wife and six-year-old son and we jumped. I managed to swim, with my wife resting on my shoulders, to the Long Island shore, but I have not seen my son since and I am looking for him."

Engelman lost two sisters also in the disaster.

TO REASSURE THE PUBLIC.

It is possible that every steamboat carrying passengers in New York harbor and neighboring waters may come in for a rigid reinspection by the Federal officials, in spite of the opposition of Robert S. Rodie, supervising inspector of this district. Mr. Rodie's devotion to the rules and regulations of the department has not been weakened apparently by the disclosures concerning rotten life preservers and inadequate fire fighting facilities since the Slocum disaster happened. He has declared repeatedly that he saw no necessity for another inspection of the excursion vessels, and that none would be made un-

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Eleven Hundred Wounded Have Reached Liaoyang—European Experts Censure the Sacrificing of This Force—Renewal of Activity at Port Arthur.

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Captives' Release Demanded Before Money Is Turned Over.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—The State Department has been informed by United States Consul-General Gummere at Tangier of the arrangements made by the Sultan of Morocco for complying with the demand of Raisuli to bring about the release of Ion Perdicaris and his son-in-law, Cromwell Varley.

Just now the officials are waiting to know what Raisuli will say to their proposal that he shall entrust the captives to the Sheriff of Wazan before the ransom is delivered. Mr. Gummere says that Raisuli's negotiator returned to the camp last night and said that the terms agreed by the Sultan had been accepted by Raisuli, who insisted, however, that the ransom of \$50,000 and the release of his political followers whom the Sultan has had in prison must be delivered to-day at Tarudant, where Raisuli's captives will be set free.

Both Mr. Gummere and the British Minister objected to the plan, because Raisuli is not a Muslim and they feared he would get the money and the release of his friends, and then refuse to give up Perdicaris and Varley. They pointed out to the Sultan that such an arrangement would place every man in his hands, because he was not to be trusted. It was then suggested that the Sheriff of Wazan act as an intermediary, and a special courier has been sent to Raisuli to say that the money and his friends will be turned over to the Sheriff of Wazan, who will deliver them up on the release of the captives. An answer is expected from Raisuli to-night or to-morrow.

British Warship Back to Tangier.

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Couldn't Find a Place to Sleep in London—Lived Mostly in Cabs.

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Finally, the harassed reincarnation of Elijah had to cross the Channel in order to find sleeping accommodations. He returned yesterday, immediately attended by the faithful reporters. He drove rapidly across London, and leaving a hearty malediction on the unappreciative city, went to Liverpool and slept on the Lucania last night. He sailed for New York to-day.

His total work amounted to two small meetings on Sunday, between which he begged to leave the hall, and had his lunch brought in. Otherwise his visit consisted of a weary round of the London streets in four-wheeled cabs.

In an interview at the quay Dowie said: "Some people think I am an impostor, but prophets were stoned in days of old." He then went on to eulogize the English policemen. He said they were not only a fine set of fellows, but they did good work for humanity.

FATHER GALLAGHER DYING.

Just as the Church He Built is Nearing Completion.

While the magnificent new \$225,000 edifice of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, at Fourth avenue and Forty-second street, Bay Ridge, is nearing completion, the pastor, the Rev. Henry A. Gallagher, is lying at the point of death from blood poisoning in St. Mary's hospital, until the night that he could not survive another day.

Father Gallagher expended much energy in the erection of the new building, which was started three years ago. In that time also he has suffered greatly with diabetes, but being generally of robust health, he neglected to consult a physician until the disease showed its effects in one of his feet, which was frostbitten last winter. Two weeks ago blood poisoning set in, and he consented to go to the hospital.

All the past week the church has been visited daily by hundreds of adults and children who went to offer prayers for the recovery of their pastor. Six hundred school children attended mass yesterday when prayers were offered. Hourly prayers have also been said by the sisters and pupils in St. Michael's school.

Inter-collegiate Regatta, June 18th.

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ST. PETERSBURG, June 18.—A despatch has been received from Admiral Rozhanski, which he transmits a report received from Admiral Witzgott, chief of the Russian naval staff at Port Arthur. Admiral Witzgott says the whole fleet at Port Arthur has been repaired.

The armorplated are under command of Rear Admiral Prince Untkowsky and the cruisers and torpedo boats under Rear Admiral Reitzenslein.

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